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To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter to show my support for the act allowing medical assistants to administer medication under supervision. Connecticut is currently one of the only states that do not allow medical assistants to administer medication and because of that it is really limiting on a medical assistant as well as the medical professionals that they work under. Medical assistants go through a very strict educational program as well as examination program to be certified, once certified must maintain that certification, like any other medical professional. Medical assistants go through a phlebotomy course and if they're allowed to take blood, they should be allowed to administer medicine. There are hours of clinical work practicing administering the different type of medications during the educational programs. It will also free up the time of register nurses and medical doctor, if they can quickly supervise administering medicine and then move onto the next patient, timing at a medical practice would be a lot more efficient. Also, medical assistants are certified nationwide, it really limits a Connecticut resident medical assistant if they were to move out of state and must be retrained to administer medication by the practice that they are employed for. It should be the same across all the states.

In conclusions, I am writing as a certified medical assistant who put in 15 straight months of double duty, full time employment and full time student, and then 3 month of externship at a medical practice. I feel fully confident to administer medication under supervision and I feel as though the state of Connecticut should as well for all certified medical assistants.

Thank you,

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